changes in the weaponary and communication system and to suggest ways and means to meet them adequately.

(d) and (e) The need of upgrading the wireless system in the metros is being increasingly felt as more efficient system like Digital Radio Trunking system are available. Such systems have already been installed in Bombay and Delhi.

Contractors funding militants in J and K

1436. DR. GOPALRAO VITHALRAO PATIL: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the attention of Government has been drawn to the news-item titled "Contractors in Jammu and Kashmir funding militants" which appeared in the 'Indian Express' dated the 12th January, 2000; and

(b) if so, what steps are being taken to stop the flowing of such huge funds to militants?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D. SWAMI): (a) and (b) Yes Sir, the Government are aware of the media reports in this regard. However no concrete evidence has come to the notice of the Government.

Free movement of Pak spies in U.P.

1437. DR. GOPALRAO VITHALRAO PATIL: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the attention of Government has been drawn to the news-item titled, "Pak spies operate without checks all over Uttar Pradesh" appearing in the 'Indian Express' dated the 13th January, 2000; and

(b) if so, what steps are being taken or proposed to be taken to restrict free movement of Pak spies in the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME